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September 28, 2015

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: 
Sheryl L. Spiller, Director

SUBJECT: ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE RENEWAL OF WELFARE-TO-WORK VOCATIONAL INTERMEDIARY AND DIRECT SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD

In accordance with Board policy Section 5.100, this is to inform you that I intend to negotiate a renewal of the contract with the City of Inglewood (COI)/South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) to provide subsidized employment and vocational services for CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work (WtW), General Relief Opportunities for Work (GROW) participants, and eligible transition aged youth. The current contract expires February 29, 2016.

The COI is the administrative public entity for the SBWIB. The SBWIB is the employer of record for all Transitional Subsidized Employment (TSE) Program participants. The Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) has contracted with the COI for WtW vocational intermediary and direct services for several years, the TSE Program was added to the contract on March 25, 2003. The contract will be procured by negotiation as provided by California Department of Social Services regulations.

The TSE Program provides the opportunity for CalWORKs WtW participants to engage in workforce readiness and subsidized employment activities such as:

- **Paid Work Experience:** WtW participants work at government agencies or non-profit organizations.
- **On-the-Job Training:** WtW participants work at for-profit businesses to obtain on-the-job training.
- **Classroom Training:** Provides short-term certificated or soft-skills training for WtW participants that leads to subsidized or unsubsidized employment.

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- In addition to assisting CalWORKs WtW and GROW participants, COI/SBWIB provides services to Transition Aged Youth referred by the Department of Children and Family Services and Probation. COI/SBWIB also collaborates with Worksource Centers/One-Stop Career Centers throughout the County to provide services.

DPSS is exploring partnerships with Community and Senior Services to further assist CalWORKs WtW TSE Program participants, and meet Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act collaboration requirements.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact me at (562) 908-8383, or your staff may contact Gary Akopyan, Chief In-Charge, at (562) 908-8622.

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